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the stay of pilgrims. It is reported that the authorities of Tiruvanaikoil temple are not able to provide amenities for the accommodation of pilgrims, as the temple is not financially in a position to construct and maintain choultries for pilgrims.

SRI M. SUBBIAH CHETTIAR : In view of the policy of the Hindu Religious Endowments Department that if the financial position of a temple is not sound, funds and other resources may be diverted to it, will the Government decide the question of building a chatram or a Tourist House at Tiruvanaikoil also?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : It is not the policy of the Endowments Department that funds from certain institutions should be diverted to other institutions for ordinary maintenance. There is no doubt need for choultries. I would suggest to the hon. Member to take some interest, and raise some contributions. Then the Devasthanam would take interest and construct a choultry.

SRI M. SUBBIAH CHETTIAR : Is it not a fact that from various temples moneys are given even for sundry items to several temples? Why not have a Tourist Home at Tiruvanaikoil? I understand it is the duty of the public. Why not the Government also do something by giving gracious grants and see that some choultries are built in Tiruvanaikoil?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Contributions from certain other institutions which can afford are permitted for renovation of the temple, and for this very Tiruvanaikoil temple, there is an estimate for about Rs. 10 lakhs and renovation work is in progress, as the hon. Member is aware. For this purpose contributions have been permitted from certain other religious institutions.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Are the collections from the new ticket system for worship in the Srirangam temple being utilized for providing amenities?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : It is not any new ticket system. During certain hours for a certain method of worship, there is some levy. Otherwise, there is free worship every day. There are hours—longer hours—when free worship is allowed for all pilgrims.

SRI K. S. ABDUL WAHAB : Will the Government consider the question of constructing a '*Suttrula*' at Srirangam?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Government have no such idea.

Electrical sub-station at Kurinjibadi.

* 76 *Q.*—SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the Electrical Sub-station No. 3 at Kurinjibadi was put up.

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(b) the number of applications pending on that date for service connections for agricultural purposes; and

(c) how many service connections have been given after installation of this sub-station?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : (a) 16th December 1964.

(b) & (c) There were no applications pending. I wish to add that subsequent to 16th December 1964, eight applications have been received, and a scheme is being worked out.

Demurrage for not taking delivery of foodgrains

MR. CHAIRMAN : The hon. Member Sri M. Sankaralingam Pillai is not in his seat. So, question No. 77 and the answer thereto will be printed in the Official Report of the proceedings.

* 77 Q.—SRI M. SANKARALINGAM PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Food be pleased to state—

(a) the amount paid by the Government by way of demurrage for not taking delivery of the foodgrains intended for Kanyakumari district after food rationing was introduced; and

(b) the reasons for the loss?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : (a) An amount of Rs. 9,784.60 has been paid towards demurrage and wharfage due to delay in lifting the stocks intended for Kanyakumari district.

(b) As the whole of the Kanyakumari district is not connected by rail, the stocks had to be transported by lorries. Lorries were not readily available as they were engaged by the Police for maintenance of law and order due to widespread disturbances in connection with the anti-Hindi agitation. Further, the Railway authorities insisted on lifting the stocks then and there from the goodsyard, as, according to them, the stocks had to be cleared from the wagons within five hours after the arrival of the wagons.

Government buildings

* 78 Q.—SRI M. RAJAH IYER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Food be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any order restraining the inscription of the names of the contractors, who constructed the buildings, in tablets installed in Government buildings; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government have examined the question of standardising of tablets to be unveiled on the occasion like foundation stone-laying ceremony, etc., and have decided that there shall be two tablets for each completed project work or building work, viz.,